HAPPY 3RD BIRTHDAY CODE.GOV!

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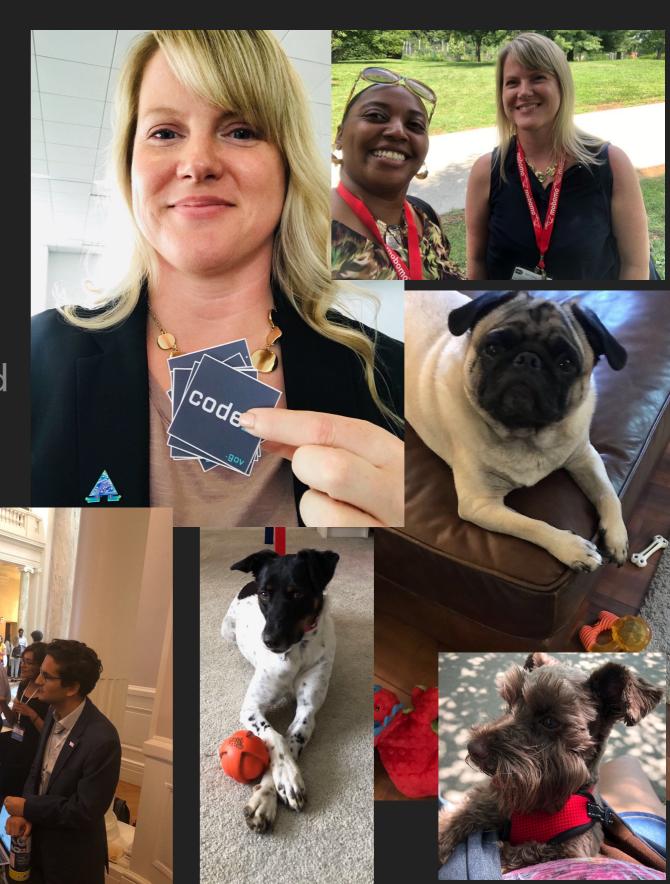
ABOUT ME

- Product/team lead for Code.gov
- ► GSA 15yrs, Army vet
- White House experience
- PhD Candidate at VT



ABOUT THE TEAM

- Five members, mix of feds and contractors
- Roles include open source expert, agency outreach, engineering, and communications



WHERE IT ALL BEGAN

U.S. FEDERAL SOURCE CODE (1945-2018)





- Grace Hopper's work the Harvard Computational Laboratory was a precursor to open source software (OSS)
- U.S. government labs using and modifying code
- Federal agencies consume OSS but publish less

WHERE IT ALL BEGAN

A large portion of federal agencies utilize closed source software that limits sharing and collaboration, supporting technology operations with costly procurements, and other inefficient processes.

Johnson & Sears, 2017

FEDERAL SOURCE CODE POLICY (FSCP)

- Federal government spends \$6B annually on software
- In August 2016, the White House published M-16-21 aka the FSCP
- Agencies develop source code policy, update acquisition language, and inventory code
- Release at least 20% as OSS



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

Anne E. Rung United States Chief Acquisition Officer

SUBJECT: Federal Source Code Policy: Achieving Efficiency, Transparency, and Innovation through Reusable and Open Source Software

The U.S. Government is committed to improving the way Federal agencies buy, build, and deliver information technology (IT) and software solutions to better support cost efficiency, mission effectiveness, and the consumer experience with Government programs. Each year, the Federal Government spends more than \$6 billion on software through more than 42,000 transactions. 1 A significant proportion of software used by the Government is comprised of either preexisting Federal solutions or commercial solutions. These solutions include proprietary, open source, and mixed source2 code and often do not require additional custom code

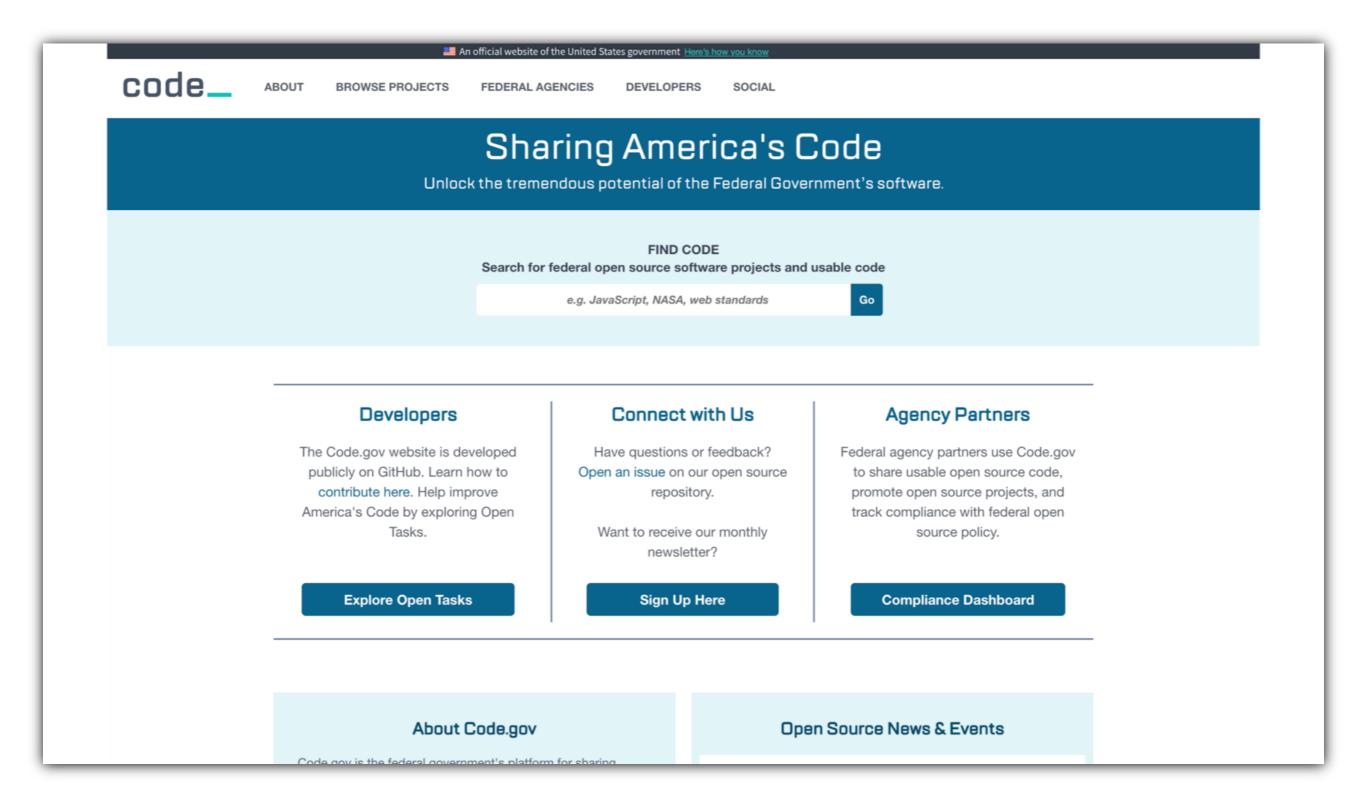
When Federal agencies are unable to identify an existing Federal or commercial software solution that satisfies their specific needs, they may choose to develop a custom software solution on their own or pay for its development. When agencies procure custom-developed source code, however, they do not necessarily make their new code (source code or code) broadly available for Federal Government-wide reuse. Even when agencies are in a position to make their source code available on a Government-wide basis, they do not make such code available to other agencies in a consistent manner. In some cases, agencies may even have difficulty establishing that the software was produced in the performance of a Federal Government contract. These challenges may result in duplicative acquisitions for substantially similar code and an inefficient use of taxpayer dollars.

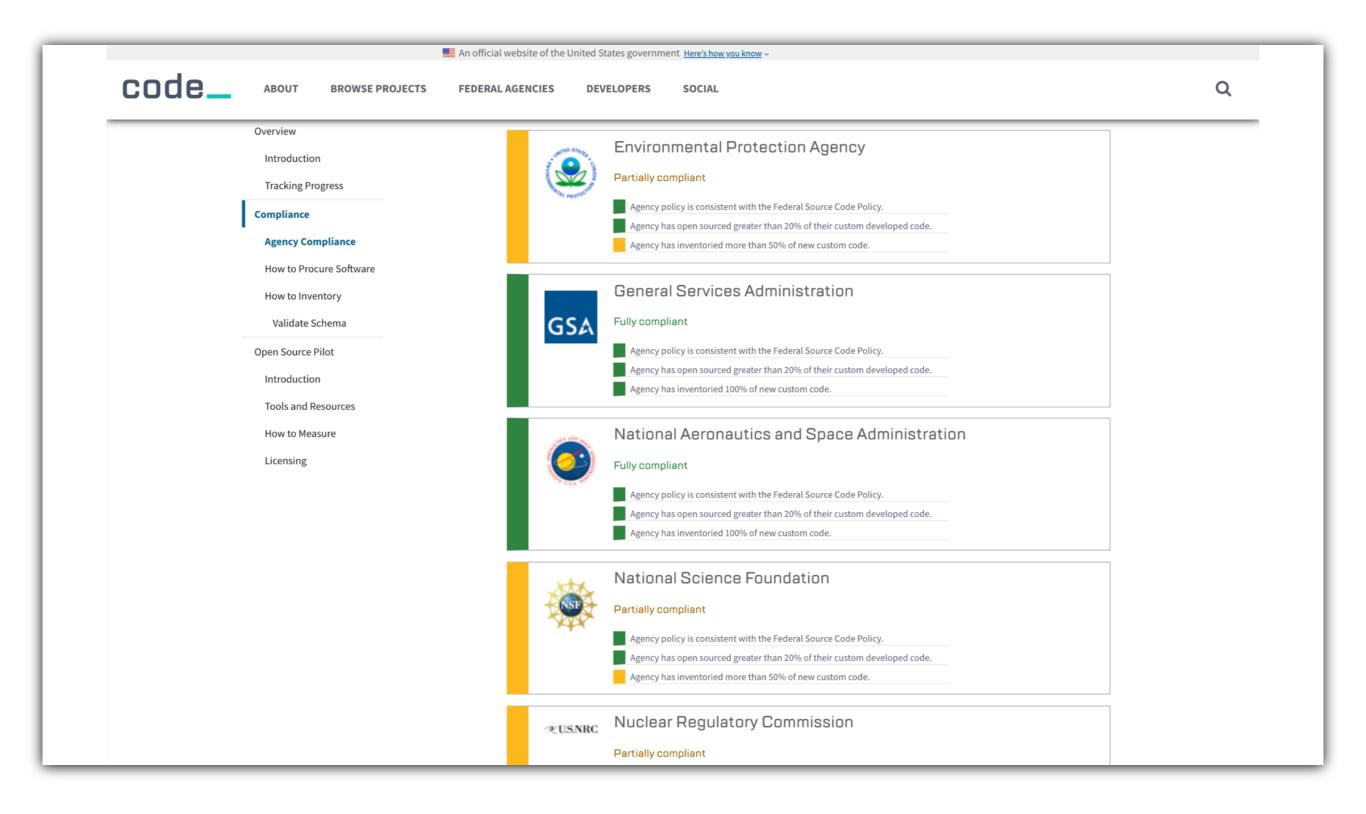
This policy seeks to address these challenges by ensuring that new custom-developed Federal ource code he made broadly available for reuse across the Federal Government.) This is

WHERE WE ARE NOW

ABOUT CODE.GOV

- ▶ 100% open source project
- Website
- API
- Agency and public outreach
- Event participation





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Code.gov Tech

Build your own tools using our API to access Code.gov data. Configure your own version of code.gov.

Overview

API Basics

Routes and Field Reference

API Key

Configure Front-End

Feedback

API basics

The Code.gov API is a GET API. With this API, you will be able to explore the software projects that federal agencies have published in accordance with the Federal Source Code Policy.

There are two basic endpoints:

- /repos : this endpoint will let you query all federal repositories that have been indexed by us.
- /terms: this endpoint will let you query all terms we have indexed as part of our data harvesting process. These terms will help you in your search efforts.

Additional Notes

The rate limit for the API is currently 5,000 calls/day and 5 calls per 5 seconds. As we move forward and understand the impact of usage of the API, we will adjust the limits accordingly as well as allow for individual users with specific needs to have customized rate limits appropriate to their use.

Example URL

The URLs provided below are for initial browsing of API data. This DEMO_KEY will not work after a certain number of attempts. Users can request a personal key from api.data.gov. The personal key will have more data access capabilities.

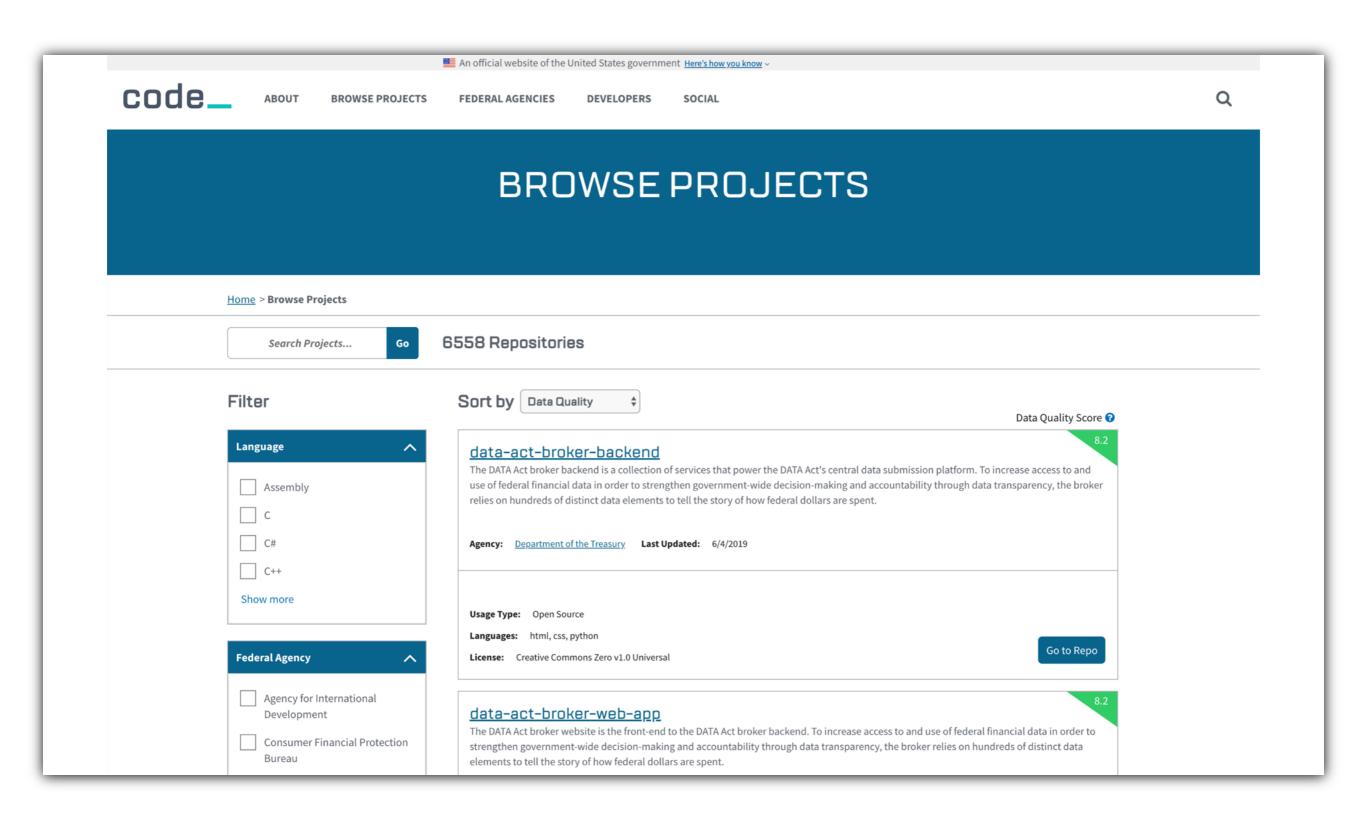
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- https://api.code.gov/terms?api_key=DEMO_KEY

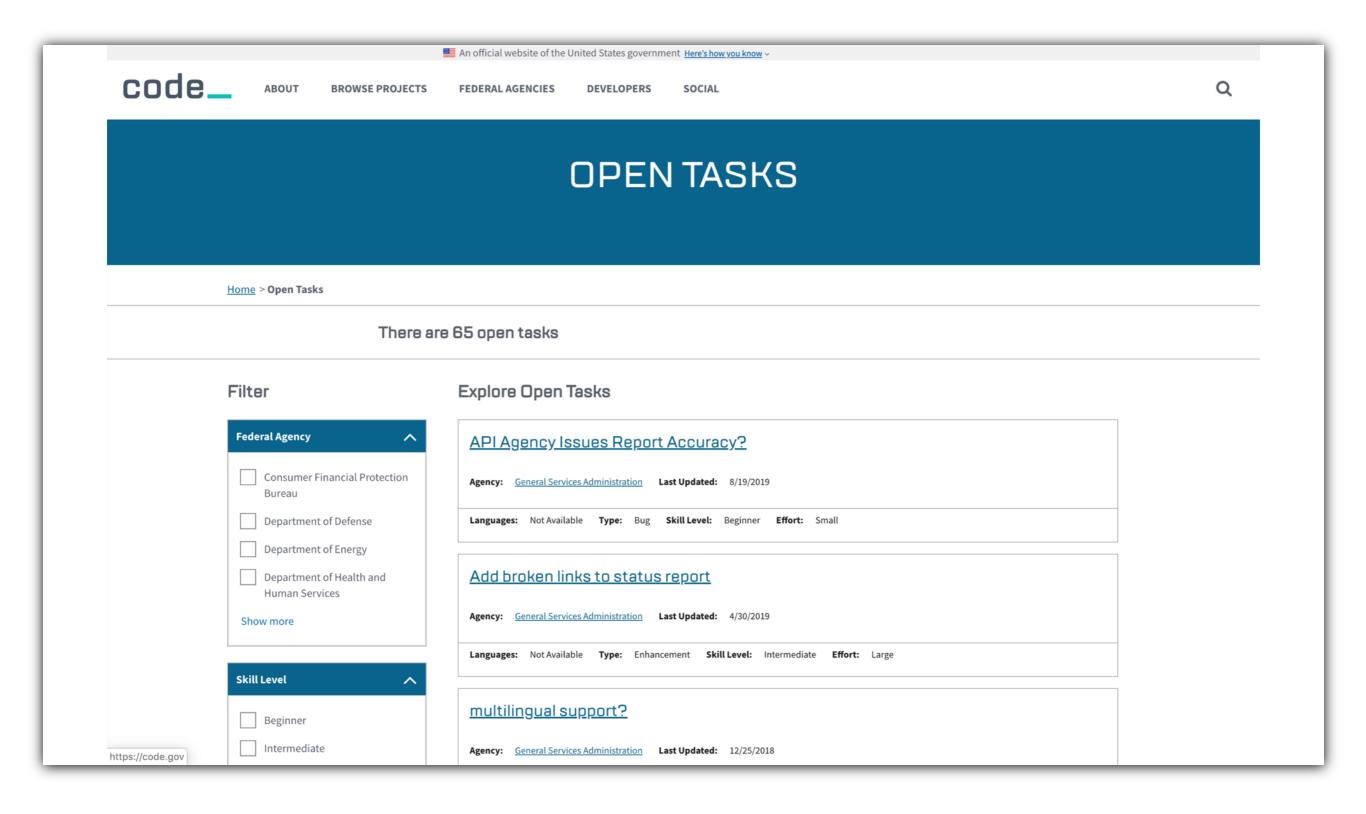
Output

The output data will be in JSON format.

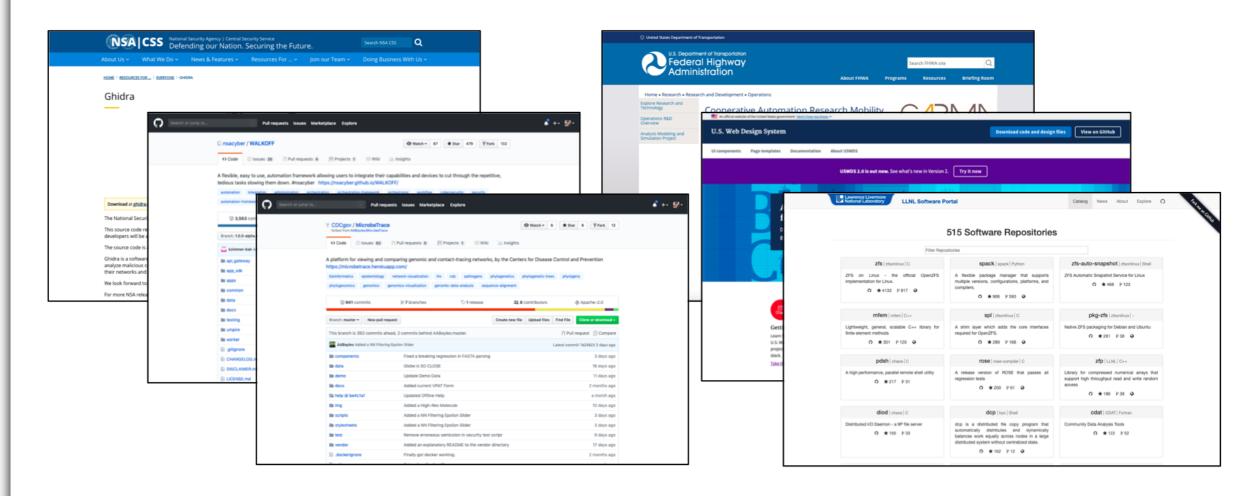
API Clients

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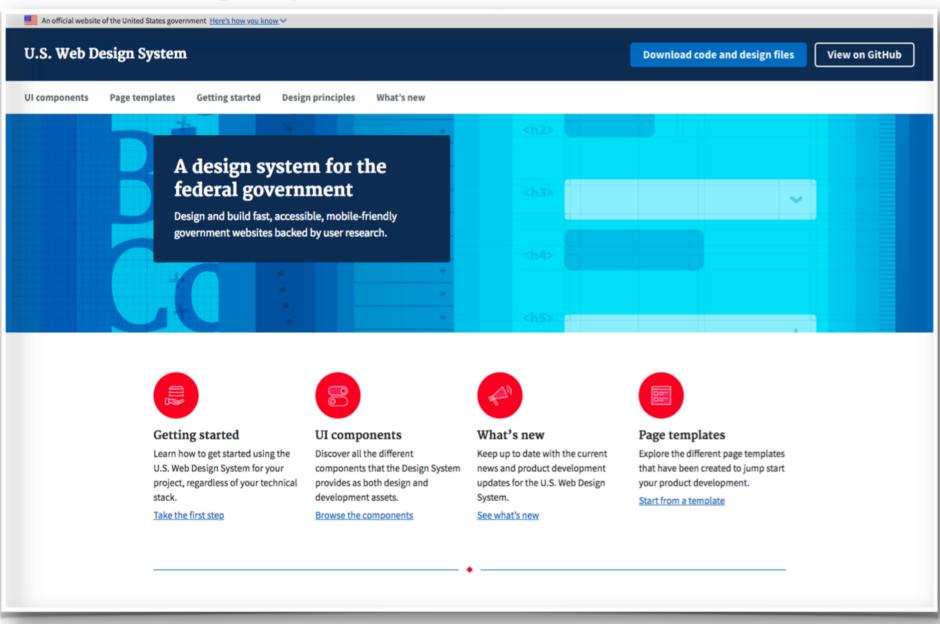




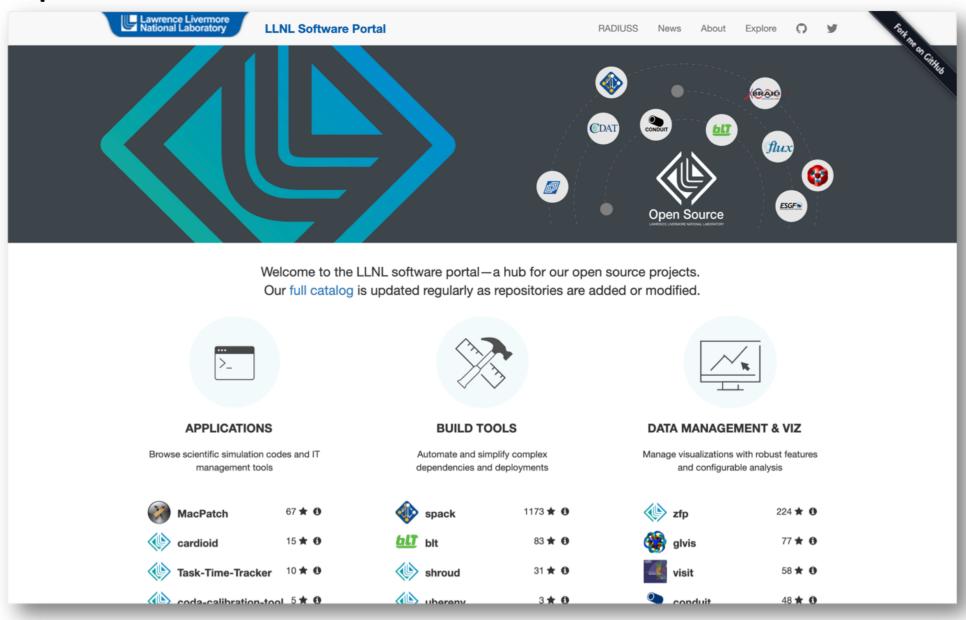
Projects on Code.gov



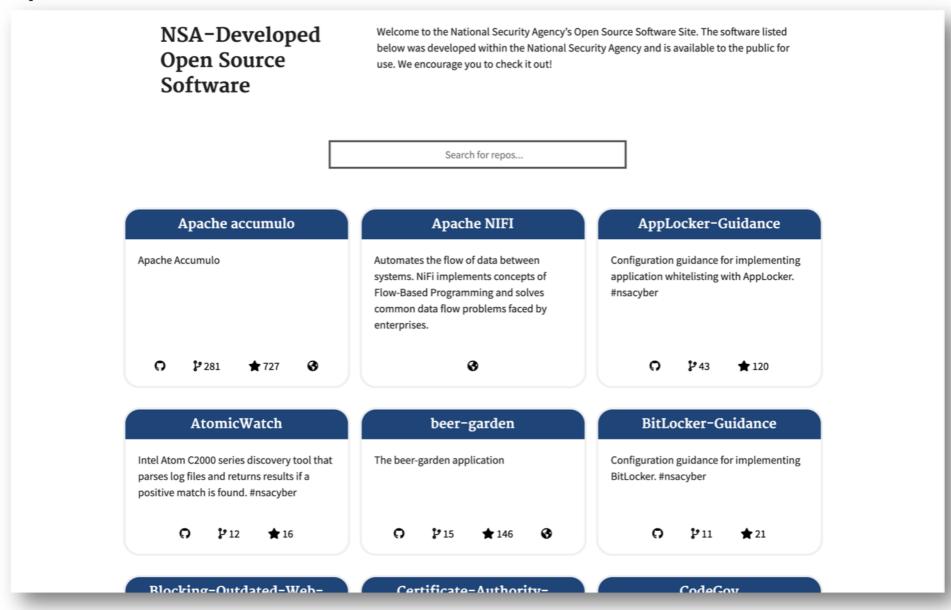
GSA's US Web Design System



LLNL's Open Source Software



NSA's Open Source Software



WHERE WE ARE GOING

FUTURE DIRECTION

- Enhancements to the platform
- Studies to better understand federal OSS environment
 - Federal Source Code Study FSCS (next slide)
 - Value of federal source code Spring 2020
- Events Federal Source Code Summit April 16th
 - For feds by feds
 - ► 1/2 day

FEDERAL SOURCE CODE STUDY (FSCS)

- 20 of 24 CFO Act agencies participated
- Collected data through interviews and documents
- Analyzed organizational aspects to implement the FSCP and publish OSS
- Findings most agencies see value in using and publishing OSS, agencies seeking more guidance
- Supporting development of Toolkit with process tutorials and document templates

THANK YOU!









